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Education

Graduate

Doctor of Clinical Psychology (Psy.D.): 09/2007

Specialty Track: Neuropsychology/ Behavioral Medicine

Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne, FL

Master of Science in Psychology: 12/2005

Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne, FL

Undergraduate

Bachelor of Science in Psychology: 05/2003

University of Maryland, University College

Community College of the Air Force

Major: Information Technology


Dates of Attendance: 05/2000- 08/2003

Florida State University

Major: Film & Communications


Dates of Attendance: 08/1998-04/2000

Certifications


 **American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP):** Diplomate in Clinical Neuropsychology (#7373)


 **Qualified Medical Evaluator (QME), State of California** (#122049)


Professional Memberships & Board Positions

 American Academy of Clinical Neuropsychology: *Member*

 National Academy of Neuropsychology: *Member*


 Hispanic Neuropsychological Society: *Member-at-Large*

 International Neuropsychological Society: *Member*

 APA Division 40: Neuropsychology: *Member*

 American Psychological Association: *Member*

 California Psychological Association (CPA): *Secretary of Division 8 (Neuropsychology)*

 San Diego Psychological Association: *Member*

Employment and Affiliations

Pacific Neurobehavioral Clinic, PC (09/2010-Present)

Title: Neuropsychologist/CEO

Duties: Conduct outpatient neuropsychological and psychological evaluations and provide therapy services.

Populations: Worker's Compensation, acquired brain injuries (TBI, dementia, strokes, complex medical conditions), monolingual Spanish-speakers, disability claimants, psychiatric conditions (depression, anxiety, PTSD, chronic pain), pre-surgical evaluations.

Alvarado Hospital (04/2013-07/2014)

Role: Medical staff

Sharp HealthCare (09/2009-9/2013)

Title: Neuropsychologist

Duties: Conduct inpatient neuropsychological evaluations and provide education and supportive services to the patient and their families. Work in an interdisciplinary rehabilitation team setting. Train and supervise psychology graduate students.

Populations: Acquired brain injuries (primarily CVA, TBI, tumors), spinal cords injuries, other medical patients.

Formal Clinical Training and Experience

University of California, San Diego

Department of Neuropsychiatry and Behavioral Medicine

Post-Doctoral Scholar in Neuropsychology (08/2008-08/2009)

Supervisors: William Perry, Ph.D., Marc Norman, Ph.D., ABPP-cn

Duties: Conduct neuropsychological evaluations and group therapy for bariatric patients as well as engage in research at the Center for the Treatment of Obesity. Conduct pre-surgical evaluations for the Liver, Kidney, Heart, and Lung Transplantation services at UCSD. Conduct WADA testing as well as pre-surgical evaluations for the UCSD epilepsy service. Conduct group therapy for pulmonary rehabilitation patients. Supervise a graduate student. Conduct extensive neuropsychological evaluations for privately-referred patients, which includes: Worker's Compensation and IME.

Populations: Pre-surgical bariatric, epilepsy, and transplant candidates, pulmonary rehabilitation patients.

Fullerton Neuropsychological Services/ St. Jude Medical Center

Post-Doctoral Fellow in Neuropsychology and Rehabilitation (08/2007-08/2008)

Supervisors: Margaret Slaven, Psy.D., Eileen Kang, Ph.D.

Duties: Conduct bedside and extended neuropsychological evaluations as well as psychotherapy and cognitive rehabilitation in acute inpatient units (brain injury and spinal cord injury) and outpatient settings. Provide consultation to a multidisciplinary rehabilitation team. Provide education to families of patients relating to the patient's cognitive & emotional changes.

Populations: Acquired brain injury (typically CVA, TBI) or spinal cord injury.

**Central California Psychology Internship Consortium/Synchrony of Visalia (APA-Accredited)
Psychological Intern (08/2006-08/2007)**

Supervisors: Edwyn Ortiz-Nance, Psy.D., Jacqueline Harris-Groeber, Ph.D., Constance Tries, MFT

Duties: Conduct individual, couples, and family therapy, psychodiagnostic and neuropsychological assessments in both English and Spanish.
Conduct comprehensive Early Mental Health (EMH) evaluation on disadvantaged children ages 0-5 to determine appropriate interventions. In addition to objective testing, naturalistic observation at the child's education setting was employed to assess behavior and social functioning. The Marschak Interaction Method (MIM) was used to assess attachment between the child and their primary guardians.

Population: Primarily children, many with reactive attachment disorder, attention deficit disorders, and autistic spectrum disorders.

**Circles of Care: Twin Rivers Unit
Practicum Group Therapist (1/2006-5/2006)**

Supervisor: William Eyring, Psy.D.

Duties: Conduct psychoeducational groups with substance abuse inpatients in 28-day program. Treatment model is based on Alcoholics Anonymous 12-step program, along with cognitive behavioral therapy.

Populations: Adults with alcohol and/or drug dependence.

**The Women's Center
Practicum Therapist (08/2005- 05/2006)**

Supervisor: Susan Kiley, LCSW

Duties: Conduct individual therapy with women who predominantly have histories of physical and sexual abuse, alcohol or drug dependency, and axis II diagnoses.

Populations: Primarily women; diagnoses commonly include: anxiety or mood disorders, axis II diagnoses, and histories of domestic violence.

**Private Practice of Patrick Gorman, Psy.D., ABPP
Psychometrist (01/2005- 05/2006)**

Supervisor: Patrick Gorman, Psy.D., ABPP

Duties: Administer, score, and write interpretive reports for neuropsychological evaluations. The wide range of referral questions included: LD/ADHD/gifted determinations, developmental disorders, and cognitive evaluations for patients with traumatic brain injuries.

Populations: Adults, and children of all ages; many with cognitive impairments or learning disabilities, history of traumatic brain injuries, or other neuropsychiatric conditions.

**Park Place Behavioral Health Care
Practicum Therapist (05/2005- 08/2005)**

Supervisor: Rebecca Long, Psy.D.

Duties: Work with a multidisciplinary team (psychiatrist, social workers, nurses) within the inpatient crisis hospitalization unit. Conduct psychosocial interviews and counseling related to discharge planning. Run groups for the Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP), as well as two weekly substance abuse groups. Also shadowed a

therapist during Dialectical Behavior Therapy groups.

Populations: Primarily adults, some children and adolescents. Wide range of diagnoses including: schizophrenic spectrum disorders, psychotic symptoms, co-morbid disorders, and substance abusers.

Circles of Care

Practicum Therapist (01/2005-05/2005)

Supervisor: William Eyring, Psy.D.

Duties: Conduct inpatient group therapy to a psychiatrically diverse population. Interview & conduct psychological testing for diagnostic purposes, and provide individual therapy as needed. Interviews were conducted in Spanish when needed.

Populations: Primarily adults, some children and adolescents; substance abusers, co-morbid disorders, psychotic disorders, severe affective disorders.

Community Psychological Services

Practicum Therapist (05/2004- 01/2005)

Supervisors: Philip D. Farber, Ph.D., Barbara Paulillo, Psy.D., Felipa T. Chavez, Ph.D.

Duties: This community mental health center is operated by the School of Psychology at Florida Tech. Primary responsibilities: Conduct individual therapy, and perform psychological evaluations, which included personality assessments, gifted/LD evaluations, and Social Security determinations. Other responsibilities included: Administrative duties, & community outreach projects.

Populations: Adults for therapy and evaluations, children for evaluations.

East Central Florida Memory Disorder Clinic

Psychometrist (11/2003-08/2005)

Supervisor: Thomas Peake, Ph.D., ABPP

Duties: Provide free screenings to elderly clients who present with memory complaints. The 2-hour screening consists of a comprehensive medical interview and a brief neuropsychological memory screening to detect signs of dementia. The reports of each screening were presented at weekly multidisciplinary triage meetings consisting of a neurologist, two neuropsychologists, a psychiatrist, a social worker, and guest panel members. Provide feedback to the clients and their families based on triage recommendations and coordinate appropriate services.

Populations: Primarily geriatric populations, patients with dementia.

Other Work Experience

Crisis Services of Brevard, AKA "211 Helpline"

Volunteer Phone Counselor (08/2002- 08/2003)

Supervisor: Linda Lawrence, B.S.W.

Duties: Provide crisis telephone counseling, as well as information about community resources to callers from Brevard County. Gained experience in suicide counseling.

Population: Adults of all ages, with concerns ranging from financial difficulties to suicidal ideation.

U.S. Air Force, Patrick AFB, FL

Senior Airman, Network Administrator (05/2000-08/2003)

Supervisor: TSgt James Butler

Discharge: Honorable

Duties: Communications-Computer Systems Operations field (3C051). Job involved: Maintaining the secure computer network, including AUTODIN and Defense Messaging System for Patrick AFB as well as Antigua and Ascension Air Stations. Held a "Top Secret" security clearance.

Research Training and Experience

Thesis: A Neuropsychological Interpretation of Differences on the Rorschach Among Patients With Possible Dementia of the Alzheimer's Type (DAT)

Summary: Four of the five primary neuropsychological signs found in DAT were hypothesized to be detectable using Rorschach variables. These constructs included difficulties with: language, memory, abstraction, and visuospatial organization. Results indicated significant differences among ten variables represented in the language and memory constructs.

Thesis Chair: Frank M. Webbe, Ph.D.

Teaching and Supervisory Positions

Faculty, University of Phoenix Online (06/2009-06/2010)

Duties: Teach a master's level course in cognitive psychology.

Supervisor, UCSD Center for the Treatment of Obesity (08/2008-07/2009)

Duties: Provide feedback to a graduate student emphasizing interviewing and neuropsychological assessment skills.

Graduate Student Assistant, Neuropsychological Assessment Lab (Fall, 2005)

Duties: Assist with teaching the Neuropsychological Assessment lab. Participate in demonstrations of test administration, create handouts for class, and provide assistance to students with questions.

Supervisor: Patrick W. Gorman, Psy.D., ABPP

Peer Supervisor, Community Psychological Services (Fall, 2005)

Duties: Provide feedback to 2nd year Psy.D. student therapists who were at their first practicum site; assist with diagnosing, treatment planning, therapeutic interventions, report writing, and progress notes.

Supervisor: Felipa T. Chavez, Ph.D.

Volunteer Activities

Executive Board Committees (2013-present):

Hispanic Neuropsychological Society (Member-at-Large)
California Psychological Association, Division 8 (Secretary)

National Memory Screening Day participant, Alzheimer's Association (2012)

Volunteer, National Academy of Neuropsychology (10/2005, 10/2006)

Duties: Work at the pre-registration booth and monitor workshops during the conferences in Tampa, FL and San Antonio, TX.

Student Reviewer, *Professional Psychology: Research & Practice* (03/2004-05/2006)








Duties: Review and critique submitted manuscripts for selection into the journal.

Supervisor: Mary Beth Kenkel, Ph.D. (Journal Editor)






Volunteer, The Brain Bank (06/2005)

Duties: The East Central Florida Memory Disorder Clinic is affiliated with the Brain Bank, a program in which participants donate their brain for research purposes upon their death. I assisted Mary Paknik, the branch representative of the Brain Bank program, in packing and shipping brains to the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, FL.






Professional Presentations and Publications

-  December, 2013: Presentation to staff at Paradise Valley Hospital Rehabilitation unit about neuroanatomy.
-  September, 2013: Presentation to Stroke Survivor's support group about changes in relationships after a brain injury.
-  October, 2011: Presentation about "Memory" given to the San Diego Brain Injury Foundation/Spanish-speakers support group.
-  2009-present: Various in-service presentations at Sharp Healthcare related to working with brain injury patients (i.e. "Depression and Stroke," "Multiple Sclerosis," "Apraxias").
-  2007-2008: In-service presentations at St. Jude Medical Center related to neuropsychological aspects of the patient populations seen by therapy staff.
-  Silva, D.M., & Webbe, F.M. (2006). *A neuropsychological interpretation of differences on the Rorschach among patients with possible dementia of the Alzheimer's type*. Poster session presented at the annual meeting of the National Academy of Neuropsychology, San Antonio, TX.
-  Silva, D. (2005). Grad school...with children. *Florida Psychological Association Update*, 10(3), p.3.















Other Media Contributions

-  Webmaster, Hispanic Neuropsychological Society (2011-present)
-  Program developer, PsycHours Tracker (2007): <http://www.psychours.com>
-  Webmaster, Synchrony of Visalia (2006) <http://www.synchronyofvisalia.com>
-  Webmaster, Community Psychological Services (2004-2005) <http://www.fit.edu/cps>
-  Video editor, East Central Florida Memory Disorder Clinic Psychometrist Training Video (12/2004)

Awards and Recognitions

-  Teaching Assistantship for Neuropsychological Assessment Lab course, Florida Institute of Technology (Fall, 2005)
-  Psychometrist award, East Central Florida Memory Disorder Clinic (05/2005)
-  Dean's List, University of Maryland (2002-2003)
-  Scholarship Recipient, Patrick Officer's Spouses' Club (2002)
-  Florida Academic Scholar (1998-2000)

Additional Training Experiences

-  **American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP)** (2012-2013)
-  **Report-Writing for QME**, Dana Livingstone-Lopez (10/2011).
-  **Neuropsychology of Epilepsy and Epilepsy Surgery**, Gregory Lee, Ph.D., ABPP-CN (04/2011-07/2011)
-  **Sharp Healthcare Department of Neuropsychology weekly didactic seminars**, Barbara Schrock, Ph.D., ABCN (08/2009-08/2011).
-  **UCSD weekly didactic seminars in Neuropsychology**, Marc Norman, ABPP-cn, San Diego, CA (08/2008- 08/2009)
-  **UCSD brain cuttings** (09/2008-09/2009)
-  **American Academy of Clinical Neuropsychology Conferences** (2011)
-  **International Society of Neuropsychology Conferences** (2007)
-  **National Academy of Neuropsychology Conferences** (yearly since 2005)
-  **EEG Spectrum 4-Day Training: Neurofeedback in a Clinical Practice**, Harold Burke, Ph.D., John Finnick, M.A.,L.E.P.,B.C.I.A.C., Santa Clara, CA (09/2006) (28 credits towards BCIA certification)
-  **Golden State Psychology Internship Association Weekly Didactic Seminars**
-  **Florida Institute of Technology/School of Psychology Colloquia & Seminars**
-  **Albert Ellis Rational Emotive Behavior Therapy (REBT) Workshop**
Presented by the Albert Ellis Institute in Orlando, FL (04/2004)
-  **Dialectical Behavior Therapy Workshop**
Presented by Adam Payne, Ph.D., Behavioral Tech, LLC (10/2005)

References

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